

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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MEMORANDUM

December 23, 2010

TO:

Valerie Ervin, President

Montgomery County Council

FROM:

Robert G. Hoyt, Director

Department of Environmental Protection

Carla Reid, Director

Department of Permitting Services

SUBJECT:

Transmittal of the Annual Report to the County Council Concerning

Implementation of Chapter 19, Article V (Water Quality Review - Special

Protection Areas).

In accordance with Chapter 19, Article V, Section 19-67(d), the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the Department of Permitting Services (DPS), in consultation with the planning board, are submitting the thirteenth annual report on the Special Protection Area (SPA) program. The report can be reviewed and downloaded at: http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dectmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/water/spareports.asp

This report includes the results of stream monitoring and best management practices in SPAs through 2009. This report presents a comprehensive analysis of all available biological, chemical, and physical data collected to date and assesses the impacts of land use change on water quality.

Please call Mr. Steven Shofar (240-777-7736) of DEP if you have any questions concerning the report. Questions concerning the status of specific SPA developments should be referred to Mr. Rick Brush (240-777-6343) of DPS.

cc:

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